

TRANSCRIPTION

A Proclamation to Virginia, March 28, 1775

By his Excellency the Right Honourable JOHN
Earl of DUNMORE, his Majesty's* Lieutenant
and Governor General of the Colony and
Dominion of Virginia, and Vice Admiral of
the same.

A PROCLAMATION.

VIRGINIA, to wit.

WHEREAS certain Persons, stiling themselves Delegates of several of his Majesty's Colonies in America, having presumed, without his Majesty's Authority or Consent, to assemble together at Philadelphia in the Months of September and October last, have thought fit, among other unwarrantable Proceedings, to resolve that it will be necessary that another Congress should be held at the same Place on the 10th of May next, unless Redress of certain pretended Greivances be obtained before that Time, and to recommend that all the Colonies in North America should chuse Deputies to attend such Congress, *I am commanded by the King*, and I do accordingly issue this my Proclamation, to require all Magistrates and other Officers to use their utmost Endeavours to prevent any Such Appointments of Deputies, and to exhort all Persons whatever within this Government to desist from such an unjustifiable Proceeding, so highly displeasing to his Majesty.

Given under my Hand, and the Seal of the Colony, this 28th Day of March, in the 15th Year of his Majesty's Reign.

DUNMORE

GOD save the KING.

* The printer of this document used the long or leading *s*, a character that looks similar to an "f" but is used as an "s."

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